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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

BECKER et al.

Examiner: J. Taylor

Serial No.: 09/718,425

Art Unit: 1634

Filed: November 24, 2000

For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PREDICTING AMINO ACID SEQUENCES
COMPATIBLE WITH A SPECIFIED THREE DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURE**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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This is in response to the Official Action dated May 15, 2002.
The one-month shortened statutory period for response is set to
expire June 15, 2002. Accordingly, this Response is filed within
the period for reply set by the Examiner.

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are currently pending in the present application.

SUMMARY OF RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Examiner has required restriction of claims 1-22 under 35
U.S.C. 121 to a single invention encompassed by the claims as
follows:

Restriction to one of the following inventions is
required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-17 and 22, drawn to a computer-implemented
method for predicting at least one amino acid
sequence, classified in class 364, subclass 400.
- II. Claims 18-19, drawn to an amino acid sequence,
classified in class 530, subclass 350.
- III. Claim 20, drawn to a nucleic acid sequence,
classified in class 435, subclass 6.